

## House Resolution No. 4457

**Whereas**, it is with great pride and sincere admiration that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives honor treasured residents of the Show-Me State who have experienced the joys and blessings of a prosperous marriage; and

**Whereas**, fifty years ago on October 18, 1958, Bernard Michael Bange took the hand of his beautiful bride, Donna Marie Gray, as they began their commitment to a lifetime of shared love and devotion by exchanging wedding vows during a solemn ceremony at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Elsberry, Missouri; and

**Whereas**, in the years since that heavenly day, Bernard and Donna Bange have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include their children and their spouses, Maria and Robert Gilbert, Michael and Janelle Bange, the late Mary Elizabeth Bange, and the late Jennifer Leigh Bange; and three grandchildren, Sarah Cutter, Emily Bange, and Anthony Bange; and

**Whereas**, Bernard Bange has compiled an impressive list of achievement that includes working part-time at B. Bange Small Engine and Trailer Repair in Elsberry and being a forty-year member of the Elsberry Volunteer Fire Department, of which he was Fire Chief for thirty-seven years; and

**Whereas**, a devoted wife, loving mother, and outstanding homemaker, Donna Bange has further distinguished herself as a part-time employee of the Palmer Memorial Library in Elsberry; and

**Whereas**, members of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Elsberry, Bernard and Donna Bange have enjoyed many hobbies and pastimes over the years, one of which is traveling in their spare time; and

**Whereas**, Mr. and Mrs. Bange, residents of Elsberry, commemorated the glorious occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary with a special celebration on October 12, 2008, at the Hillcrest Lodge and Banquet Center:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Bernard and Donna Bange for their tremendous success in achieving a half century of wedded bliss and in wishing them only the very best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Michael Bange, as a measure of the high esteem in which we hold them.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Terry L. Witte  
District No. 10

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,  
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 4457, adopted October 23, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker